

Editor's Preface

This issue on "Parents and Children, Children and Parents: The Disability Context" with Barbara Altman as the special editor is an excellent one. Her introductory article gives an overview of the topic and this issue. In addition Elaine Makas has again provided excellent book and video reviews.

It is noteworthy that under the Coming (and Past) events there are listed a number of disability studies sessions other than those at the annual meetings of the American Sociological Association, the American Anthropological Association, and other professional groups which have held such sessions for some time. These organizations include: the Social Science History Association, the National Communication Association, the Modern Languages Association Convention, the Association of American Geographers, and the Sociolinguistics Symposium 12 held in London. In addition there are the following meetings relating to disability studies: the Empire State College, State University of New York, will hold its Fourth International Conference: Disabled, but Enabled and Empowered, Building Common Ground for the Millennium 2000, Fostering the Inclusion of People with Disabilities; the Ohio State University will hold a colloquium Enabling the Humanities: Disability Studies in Higher Education; CHANGING BORDERS is an event by and for women with disabilities and is presented before this year's annual SDS conference; Women and Disabilities: Celebrate, Motivate, Organize, and Activate is a conference to be held in Detroit, Michigan, after the end of the SDS conference. I am certain that I have left out a number of disability studies sessions and academic conferences, but these nine conferences and sessions mark the tremendous growth of disability studies in academia.

Again the Editor begs for understanding. This issue is quite late as were the last two. Hopefully by September 1998 we will be back on schedule. But its lateness gives me a chance to say that if you have not yet subscribed for 1998, now is the time. In addition I remind you that DSQ is now paged continuously through the four print issues. The pagination in the email and disk versions will not conform with the print version.

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